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7 FAM 1360 OVERSEAS PASSPORT ISSUANCE PROGRAM

1. Summary of Changes

- The revised text establishes an audit requirement for passports issued overseas. It defines the audit criteria, when and how many cases should be audited, and who should conduct the audits.
- The mailing address for disposition of Border Crossing Cards has also been updated.
- In addition the period of validity for Emergency Photodigitized Passports (EPDP) has been updated to reflect that when determining the validity of an EPDP passport, posts should consider the validity requirements of any transit and/or onward destination countries
- The prior caveat example that certain EPDP passports must be issued for a shorter validity period, usually a maximum of two weeks or for direct return to the United States has been revised to eliminate reference to repatriation as an example for this very limited validity period to avoid transit problems

Old location	Old Title	New Location	New Title
7FAM1368	Suspending Overseas Passport Application And Disposition Of Denied Applications	7FAM 1367	NA
7FAM1368			Review of Passport Issuances at Overseas Posts

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